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Statement of the Spokesman of the Foreign Office concerning the Invitation to the Brussels Conference by the Signatories of the Nine Power Treaty. (Nov. 3 1937)

The Note Verbal of the Brussels Conference was received yesterday through the Belgian Ambassador. Its contents are practically the same as reported by Domei.

It has been the consistent policy of the Japanese Government to solve all Sino-Japanese questions through direct negotiation between Japan and China. We find no reason to abandon that policy at this time.

Japan's appeal to force of arms in China has been provoked by China herself. Japan had never thought of resorting to force for the purpose of solving Sino-Japanese disputes.

However, the situation having developed as it has, what is most urgently needed is the removal of the anti-Japanese forces that have brought on the present Sino-Japanese crisis and that may bring it on at any time in future.

It is unbelievable that this purpose can be achieved at Brussels through the deliverances of the signatories of the Nine Power Treaty and other Powers, or even through the negotiations among a few limited Powers as long as they are not prepared to cooperate with Japan toward the removal of those anti-Japanese forces. We are convinced that there is no other way of effecting a solution of the present situation than direct

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negotiation between Japan and China. The most the other Powers can do at this juncture is to induce China to enter into direct negotiations with Japan.

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九ヶ國條約團の「プラツヤル」會議へ加招請に付する外務省傳達部長書簡（一九三七年十一月八日）

「プラツヤル」會議の口上等を昨日白耳の大使から受取つた。

其の内容は圓明の報ずる所と殆ど變らない。

日支間の直接交渉に依り日又問題を解決することは日本政府の不動の方針であつて吾々は今日其の方針を放棄する理由を有しないのである。

日本は支那に於ける武力行爲歴史的自身がもたらしたものである。日本は日支紛争を解決する爲武力に訴へんとするが如きことは毛頭考へたこさはない。

然しながら真想既に今日に至りたる以上最も焦眉の急を取ることとは四在の日支合意を招來し又清榮河時日支危機を招來しないとも限らない。即ち日勢力を一掃することである。

此の目的は九ヶ國條約團名稱及其の範の列強國の討議により乃至は二、三の見られたる列強國間の交渉によるさ疎も之等脅頭が折かる等日本勢力の一掃に對し日本に協力する用意なき限り「プラツヤル」に於て

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續書し得るさけ信じ難いのである。尋々は日支戦の直接交渉以前には
現今の立場を解決する方法はないことを確信するものである。
之の際他の列強國が爲し畢る最善のことは支那をして日本と直接交渉
に入らしむることである